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- (1) The aircraft has approved navigation performance capability that complies with the requirements of appendix C of this part; and
- (2) The operator is authorized by the Administrator to perform such operations.
- (b) The Administrator may authorize a deviation from the requirements of this section in accordance with Section 3 of appendix C to this part.

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§91.706 Operations within airspace designed as Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum Airspace.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, no person may operate a civil aircraft of U.S. registry in airspace designated as Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum (RVSM) airspace unless:
- (1) The operator and the operator's aircraft comply with the requirements of appendix G of this part; and
- (2) The operator is authorized by the Administrator to conduct such operations.
- (b) The Administrator may authorize a deviation from the requirements of this section in accordance with Section 5 of appendix G to this part.

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§91.707 Flights between Mexico or Canada and the United States.

Unless otherwise authorized by ATC, no person may operate a civil aircraft between Mexico or Canada and the United States without filing an IFR or VFR flight plan, as appropriate.

§91.709 Operations to Cuba.

No person may operate a civil aircraft from the United States to Cuba unless—

- (a) Departure is from an international airport of entry designated in §6.13 of the Air Commerce Regulations of the Bureau of Customs (19 CFR 6.13); and
- (b) In the case of departure from any of the 48 contiguous States or the District of Columbia, the pilot in command of the aircraft has filed—
- (1) A DVFR or IFR flight plan as prescribed in §99.11 or §99.13 of this chapter; and

- (2) A written statement, within 1 hour before departure, with the Office of Immigration and Naturalization Service at the airport of departure, containing—
- (i) All information in the flight plan;
- (ii) The name of each occupant of the aircraft:
- (iii) The number of occupants of the aircraft; and
- (iv) A description of the cargo, if any. This section does not apply to the operation of aircraft by a scheduled air carrier over routes authorized in operations specifications issued by the Administrator.

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§91.711 Special rules for foreign civil aircraft.

- (a) *General.* In addition to the other applicable regulations of this part, each person operating a foreign civil aircraft within the United States shall comply with this section.
- (b) VFR. No person may conduct VFR operations which require two-way radio communications under this part unless at least one crewmember of that aircraft is able to conduct two-way radio communications in the English language and is on duty during that operation.
- (c) *IFR*. No person may operate a foreign civil aircraft under IFR unless—
- (1) That aircraft is equipped with—
- (i) Radio equipment allowing twoway radio communication with ATC when it is operated in controlled airspace; and
- (ii) Radio navigational equipment appropriate to the navigational facilities to be used;
- (2) Each person piloting the aircraft— $\,$
- (i) Holds a current United States instrument rating or is authorized by his foreign airman certificate to pilot under IFR; and
- (ii) Is thoroughly familiar with the United States en route, holding, and letdown procedures; and
- (3) At least one crewmember of that aircraft is able to conduct two-way radiotelephone communications in the English language and that crewmember